

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, September 11, 2000

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BALLENGER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 11, 2000.

I hereby appoint the Honorable CASS BALLENGER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Almighty and faithful Creator, all things of Your making, all people are redeemed in Your love and shaped in Your image.

Today we entrust the soul of Representative HERBERT BATEMAN of Virginia to your goodness.

In Your infinite wisdom and power, You have worked in him to achieve Your purpose.

He is known to You alone from the beginning of time.

Known to this assembly for his personal friendliness, we ask You to reward him for his labors. Grant consolation and peace to his staff and his family.

May we persevere in the tasks You set before us that we may receive the reward of the just, now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Florida (Mr. STEARNS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stearns led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Cheek, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 4733. An act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4919. An act to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions under those Acts, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 4733) "An Act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. GORTON, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. REID, Mr. BYRD, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. INOUE, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

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The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2438. An act to provide for enhanced safety, public awareness, and environmental protection in pipeline transportation, and for other purposes.

ON THE PASSING OF THE HON. HERBERT H. BATEMAN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

(Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I was shocked today to come

in and hear about the death of our colleague, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BATEMAN).

He was for many years my colleague, for the last 2 years my office mate and neighbor; and I spent many times walking to and from this Chamber with him. He was a gentle and kind man, and all of us are diminished by his death.

I want to express my deep sense of grief and extend my sympathies to his family and those who have worked with him.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 4205, FLOYD D. SPENCE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 7(c) of rule XX, I announce my intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4205.

I do this, I should say, in consultation with the Democratic leader, the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT), and the ranking Democratic member of the Committee on the Judiciary, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BONIOR).

The motion is as follows: I move that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 4205 be instructed to agree to the provisions contained in title XV of the Senate amendment.

If I might briefly, Mr. Speaker, explain. That is the defense bill and this is an instruction dealing with the Hate Crimes section, which was adopted in the other body to that bill. This would have the House concur with the Senate's adoption of the Hate Crimes section.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF HON. HERBERT H. BATEMAN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

(Mr. STEARNS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, let me share with my colleague from Massachusetts my sentiments and my concern and surprise about our colleague, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BATEMAN), who evidently collapsed and is now deceased. I think all of us in the House are totally shocked.